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I am baffled at an arrangement where Microsoft actually gains ground in the educational computer industry (where a smaller competitor has a healthy share of the market) as a settlement for misconduct and unfair business practices.

Any provision of equipment or software donation (in educational or other environments) in lieu of actual cash actually promotes the further purchase and use of Windows and Windows-compatible PCs. I cannot imagine that Microsoft would provide schools with anything other than their own product--even for schools who would, if given a choice, select another product.

I agree with the position of Apple Computer, Inc. in their objection to this proposed settlement and request that the Justice Department demand a more equitable solution--one that does not pave the way for increased future sales via "donations" from Microsoft. Do not reward this company with future profits disguised as restitution for past wrongs.

Thank you.

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